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Letter dated 25 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of El Salvador to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of El Salvador has issued a press release on the occasion of the signing of the Agreement on mutual recognition between the Government of Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

I am pleased to transmit to you herewith a copy of the aforementioned press release. I should be grateful if you would have this note and its annex circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under agenda items 34 and 35, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Ricardo CASTAÑEDA
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

ANNEX

Press release issued by the Government of El Salvador on 10 September 1993

In connection with the signing of the Agreement on mutual recognition between the Government of Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), the Government of El Salvador wishes to state the following:

(a) We welcome with profound satisfaction the signing of the aforementioned Agreement, which is a historic event of the greatest importance for the promotion of peace and security, both in the Middle East and at the international level;

(b) We are especially pleased to note the firm determination and great flexibility demonstrated by the Government of Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization during the negotiations which culminated in the signing of the aforementioned Agreement;

(c) We fervently hope that this Agreement will lay a lasting foundation for continuing the peace process in that region;

(d) The community of nations, without exception, and the different national, regional and international organizations should offer their unreserved support to this Agreement, and to the continuation of discussions between the parties;

(e) We are fully confident that the Government of Israel and PLO will comply in good faith with the commitments undertaken, with a view to strengthening mutual trust and pursuing the search for a peaceful and lasting solution to the problem.